

Department of Agriculture

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Historical Summary

OPERATING BUDGET	FY 2002 Total App	FY 2002 Actual	FY 2003 Approp	FY 2004 Request	FY 2004 Gov Rec
BY PROGRAM					
Administration	1,688,600	1,445,500	1,629,600	1,809,400	1,777,300
Animal Industries	5,723,700	5,422,900	5,289,500	5,805,800	5,669,600
Agricultural Resources	3,268,600	3,186,000	3,264,500	3,325,700	3,232,100
Plant Industries	3,281,700	2,838,900	3,115,400	3,601,100	3,508,400
Agricultural Inspections	11,525,700	7,892,700	10,201,100	10,474,500	10,245,700
Marketing and Development	929,300	1,842,500	2,664,500	1,021,200	993,500
Animal Damage Control	400,400	400,300	392,400	399,500	387,300
Sheep Commission	171,700	112,800	169,800	173,400	170,600
Total:	26,989,700	23,141,600	26,726,800	26,610,600	25,984,500
BY FUND CATEGORY					
General	6,405,100	6,401,700	5,870,800	6,298,300	5,803,000
Dedicated	18,265,800	13,199,800	16,887,600	17,343,500	17,222,900
Federal	2,318,800	3,540,100	3,968,400	2,968,800	2,958,600
Total:	26,989,700	23,141,600	26,726,800	26,610,600	25,984,500
Percent Change:		(14.3%)	15.5%	(0.4%)	(2.8%)
BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE					
Personnel Costs	18,252,500	14,205,300	17,754,200	17,806,200	17,567,400
Operating Expenditures	5,428,800	4,451,600	5,474,400	5,275,600	5,139,000
Capital Outlay	937,500	977,700	350,600	812,300	646,300
Trustee/Benefit	2,370,900	3,507,000	3,147,600	2,716,500	2,631,800
Total:	26,989,700	23,141,600	26,726,800	26,610,600	25,984,500
Full-Time Positions (FTP)	180.31	180.31	184.56	181.34	178.84

Division Description

The goal of the Department of Agriculture is to guarantee that Idaho agricultural products are of high quality, disease-free, and meet federal and state laws, rules and regulations. The department protects consumers and producers from fraud and provides marketing assistance to the industry. There are eight budgeted programs. 1) The Administration program coordinates the accounting, payroll, legal, and personnel functions. 2) Animal Industries is responsible for veterinary services, vegetation management, livestock inspection, and animal waste management. 3) Agricultural Resources protects the public health, environment, livestock, and wildlife of the state from possible adverse effects resulting from the improper use of pesticides and fertilizers. 4) Plant Industries includes the Bureau of Laboratories and Plant Services, the Bureau of Seed Analysis, and the Honey Commission. 5) Agricultural Inspections includes the Bureau of Shipping Point Inspections, the Bureau of Warehouse Control, and the Bureau of Weights and Measures. 6) The Marketing and Development program assists Idaho food producers to increase their profitability by enhancing the marketing opportunities for their products. 7) The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Wildlife Services program operates in Idaho under a memorandum of understanding with the Idaho State Animal Damage Control Board. 8) The Sheep Commission provides a comprehensive program involving disease and predator control to enable the sheep industry to maintain high production standards and economic returns.

The Soil Conservation Commission is part of the department but is budgeted in a separate appropriation bill.

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Comparative Summary

Decision Unit	Agency Request			Governor's Rec		
	FTP	General	Total	FTP	General	Total
FY 2003 Original Appropriation	184.56	5,870,800	26,726,800	184.56	5,870,800	26,726,800
1. Pest Deficiency Warrant	0.00	129,500	129,500	0.00	129,500	129,500
2. Animal Damage Districts	0.00	0	40,000	0.00	0	40,000
Budget Reduction (Neg. Supp.)	0.00	(205,500)	(205,500)	0.00	(205,500)	(205,500)
Other Approp Adjustments	0.00	(129,500)	0	0.00	(129,500)	0
FY 2003 Total Appropriation	184.56	5,665,300	26,690,800	184.56	5,665,300	26,690,800
Expenditure Adjustments	0.00	0	309,900	0.00	0	309,900
FY 2003 Estimated Expenditures	184.56	5,665,300	27,000,700	184.56	5,665,300	27,000,700
Removal of One-Time Expenditures	0.00	0	(3,913,200)	0.00	0	(3,913,200)
Base Adjustments	(3.22)	0	0	(3.42)	0	0
Restore Budget Reduction	0.00	205,500	205,500	(2.30)	0	0
FY 2004 Base	181.34	5,870,800	23,293,000	178.84	5,665,300	23,087,500
Personnel Cost Rollups	0.00	54,600	144,900	0.00	62,600	167,400
Inflationary Adjustments	0.00	50,200	143,200	0.00	0	0
Replacement Items	0.00	156,000	761,600	0.00	0	605,600
Nonstandard Adjustments	0.00	75,100	52,200	0.00	75,100	52,200
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	31,600	83,900	0.00	0	0
FY 2004 Program Maintenance	181.34	6,238,300	24,478,800	178.84	5,803,000	23,912,700
1. Federal Spending Authority	0.00	0	2,061,800	0.00	0	2,061,800
2. Crop Residue Disposal	0.00	60,000	60,000	0.00	0	0
3. Honey Queen Program	0.00	0	10,000	0.00	0	10,000
FY 2004 Total	181.34	6,298,300	26,610,600	178.84	5,803,000	25,984,500
Change from Original Appropriation	(3.22)	427,500	(116,200)	(5.72)	(67,800)	(742,300)
% Change from Original Appropriation		7.3%	(0.4%)		(1.2%)	(2.8%)

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
FY 2003 Original Appropriation	184.56	5,870,800	16,887,600	3,968,400	26,726,800

1. Pest Deficiency Warrant

Plant Industries

Idaho Code §22-2108 authorizes the State Board of Examiners to approve deficiency warrants against the General Fund for up to \$500,000 to control agricultural pest and crop disease outbreaks within the state. The department uses this funding mechanism for the pest survey programs as well as the pest control programs. Fiscal year 2002 costs from November through June were \$15,100 for the exotic pest survey program, \$104,500 for Mormon cricket and grasshopper control, and \$9,900 for gypsy moth survey. The request includes \$27,100 for personnel costs and \$102,400 for operating expenditures. [One-time]

Agency Request	0.00	129,500	0	0	129,500
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	129,500	0	0	129,500

2. Animal Damage Districts

Animal Damage Control

One-time spending authority is requested to help animal damage control districts with current needs. The request would spend down a cash balance in the Sheep Regulation Fund generated from two sources. First, revenues come from a 3 cent per pound of wool fee charged to wool growers for animal damage control. (Prior to July 1, 2002, .25 cents was remitted for scrapper indemnity). Second, the state police collect revenues on cattle, horses, mules, and dairy cows subject to brand inspection. The brand inspector collects 4 cents per head for payment to the ISDA for animal damage control. The monies would be passed through to the animal damage control board for distribution to the federal Wildlife Services for programs including magpie and starling control and predator control. [One-time]

Agency Request	0.00	0	40,000	0	40,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	40,000	0	40,000

Budget Reduction (Neg. Supp.)

Reflects the Governor's 3.5% General Fund holdback. The agency plan calls for a reduction of \$13,200 from the Administration program, \$37,500 from noxious weed program support, \$23,100 from Animal Industries, \$55,000 from Agricultural Resources, \$3,300 from Quality Assurance Laboratory support, \$43,000 from Weights and Measures, \$20,000 from Agricultural Inspections, \$2,500 from Marketing and Development, \$5,100 from Animal Damage Control, and \$1,800 from the Sheep Commission.

Agency Request	0.00	(205,500)	0	0	(205,500)
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	(205,500)	0	0	(205,500)

Other Approp Adjustments

Move General Fund supplemental to Pest Control Deficiency Fund where actual expenditures occurred.

Agency Request	0.00	(129,500)	129,500	0	0
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	(129,500)	129,500	0	0

FY 2003 Total Appropriation

Agency Request	184.56	5,665,300	17,057,100	3,968,400	26,690,800
Governor's Recommendation	184.56	5,665,300	17,057,100	3,968,400	26,690,800

Expenditure Adjustments

Reflects the adjustment of 6.66 FTP's between fund sources within programs and the addition of \$309,900 in federal non-cog spending authority in the Plant Industries Program. Includes the transfer of \$17,500 from personnel costs to capital outlay and \$17,900 from operating to trustee and benefit payments to reflect estimated expenditures. Includes the transfer of 12.26 positions and \$39,700 between programs.

Agency Request	0.00	0	0	309,900	309,900
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	309,900	309,900

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FY 2003 Estimated Expenditures					
Agency Request	184.56	5,665,300	17,057,100	4,278,300	27,000,700
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	184.56	5,665,300	17,057,100	4,278,300	27,000,700

Removal of One-Time Expenditures

Remove funding provided for one-time items. Removes one-time non-cognizable spending authority.
Removes one-time supplementals.

Agency Request	0.00	0	(525,800)	(3,387,400)	(3,913,200)
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	0.00	0	(525,800)	(3,387,400)	(3,913,200)

Base Adjustments

Removes 3.22 FTP's to tie wage and salary to FY 2004 base.

Agency Request	(3.22)	0	0	0	0
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	(3.42)	0	0	0	0

Restore Budget Reduction

Restores the Governor's 3.5% holdback to restore the FY 2004 base.

Agency Request	0.00	205,500	0	0	205,500
<i>The Governor recommends that reductions made in appropriations in fiscal year 2003 not be restored to the budget base.</i>					
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	(2.30)	0	0	0	0

FY 2004 Base

Agency Request	181.34	5,870,800	16,531,300	890,900	23,293,000
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	178.84	5,665,300	16,531,300	890,900	23,087,500

Personnel Cost Rollups

Includes the employer portion of estimated changes in employee benefit costs. Most of the increase is due to a 14.7% projected increase in employee health insurance costs.

Agency Request	0.00	54,600	85,700	4,600	144,900
<i>The Governor also recommends additional funding to be applied to the employee paid portion of health and dental insurance cost increases, in order to prevent employees from experiencing a reduction in take-home pay.</i>					
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	0.00	62,600	98,900	5,900	167,400

Inflationary Adjustments

Includes a general inflationary increase of 2.4% in operating expenditures and trustee/benefit payments.

Agency Request	0.00	50,200	84,300	8,700	143,200
<i>The Governor recommends no increase for general inflation.</i>					
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	0.00	0	0	0	0

Replacement Items

Includes \$212,100 for seven pickups, \$107,000 for an equipped weights and measures truck, \$176,200 for computer equipment, \$17,800 for software, \$233,900 for laboratory and field equipment, and \$14,600 for office furniture.

Agency Request	0.00	156,000	605,600	0	761,600
<i>Removes \$28,000 for one pickup, \$107,000 for the weights and measures truck, and \$21,000 for computer equipment.</i>					
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	0.00	0	605,600	0	605,600

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Nonstandard Adjustments

Includes an increase of \$81,100 for Attorney General fees, a decrease of \$28,600 for risk management costs, a decrease of \$6,100 for State Controller fees, and an increase of \$5,800 for State Treasurer fees for a net increase of \$52,200.

[Note: The Seed Indemnity and Commodity Indemnity programs are continuously appropriated. Last year the commodity indemnity program spent \$2.3 million to repay producers caught in a dealer insolvency. Last session, the legislature authorized a new seed indemnity program. The department estimates a budget of \$475,000 for 6.65 positions and operating expenditures for both programs in FY 2004. Those positions and related costs are off-budget and not included in the appropriated budget.]

Agency Request	0.00	75,100	(22,900)	0	52,200
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	75,100	(22,900)	0	52,200

Change in Employee Compensation

Reflects the cost of a 1% salary increase for permanent and group positions.

Agency Request	0.00	31,600	49,500	2,800	83,900
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The Governor does not recommend new funding for state employee pay increases. Compensation increases may be funded with agency salary savings wherever possible.

Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
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FY 2004 Program Maintenance

Agency Request	181.34	6,238,300	17,333,500	907,000	24,478,800
Governor's Recommendation	178.84	5,803,000	17,212,900	896,800	23,912,700

1. Federal Spending Authority

Animal Industries, Plant Industries

Increases the federal grant spending authority for Animal Industries by \$1,750,000. This includes funding for noxious weeds, brucellosis, hot pepper slickspot, and animal emergency preparedness. This decision unit also increases the federal spending authority for Plant Industries by \$270,800. Recent initiatives through the Homeland Security Act have increased awareness of the need for a proactive pest surveillance program in every state. Funding includes \$65,800 (including benefits) for a full-time entomologist (using an existing FTP), \$130,000 for temporary staff, \$75,000 for operating expenditures, and \$41,000 for a truck, a computer, and field equipment. The entomologist would direct pest survey, detection and control activities, enforce quarantine laws, support export initiatives, and devise a plan for emergency preparedness. [Ongoing]

Agency Request	0.00	0	0	2,061,800	2,061,800
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	2,061,800	2,061,800

2. Crop Residue Disposal

Plant Industries

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) determines and recommends to the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) the burn or no-burn days for each of the five airsheds in Idaho. Although the ISDA has the responsibility to enforce the crop disposal rules, the Legislature has not provided funding for the program. The ISDA is committed to having staff in the areas of the state where crop burning occurs to better coordinate the Crop Residue Disposal Program. This decision unit provides \$38,400 for five seasonal temporary employees, \$11,600 for travel and operating expenses, and \$10,000 for five laptop computers. These seasonal employees will work from July through September with local growers to register fields to be burned, schedule the acres to be burned each day for each airshed, handle telephone inquiries and complaints, and investigate alleged violations. [\$50,000 ongoing]

Agency Request	0.00	60,000	0	0	60,000
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Not recommended by the Governor.

Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
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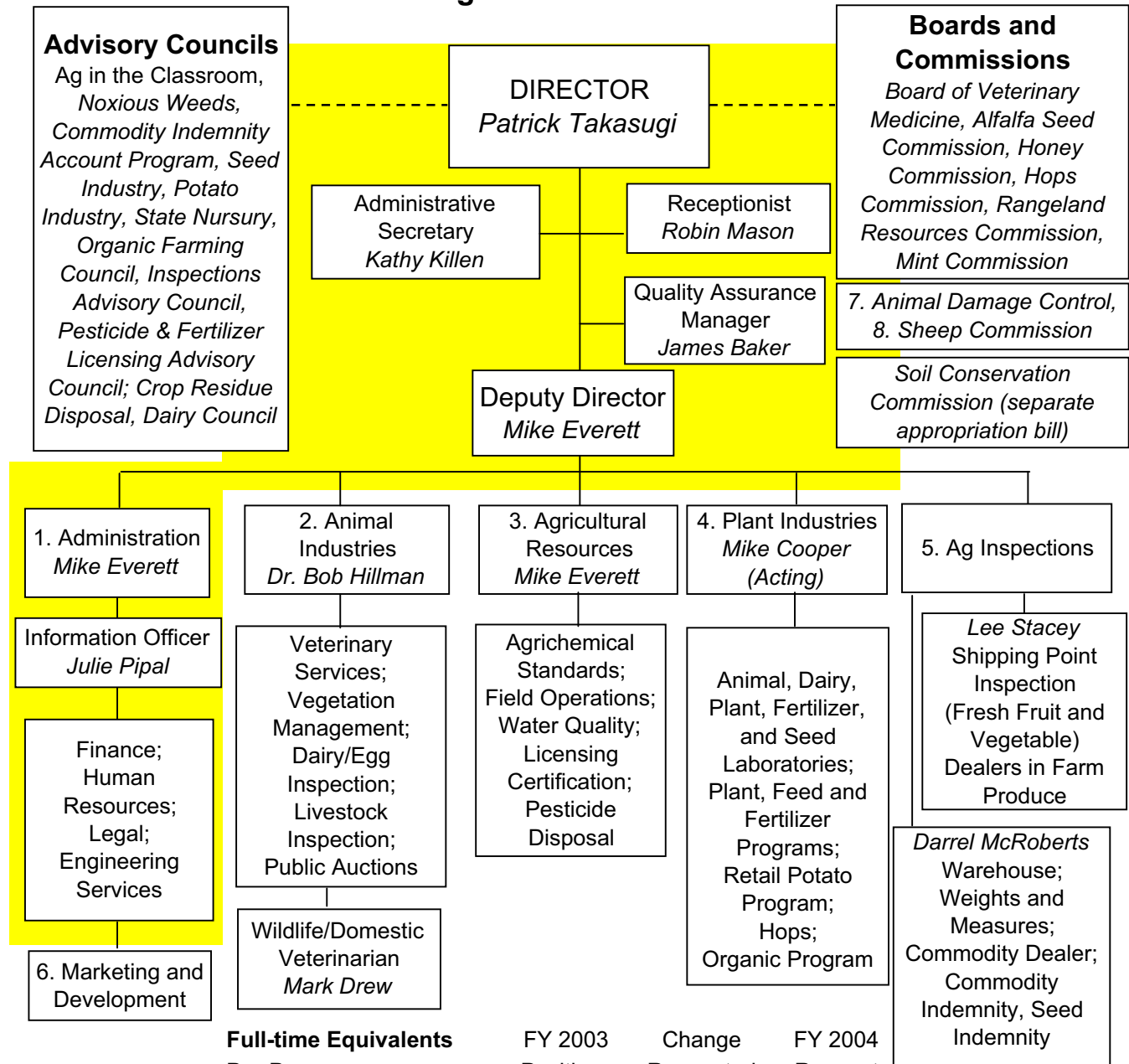
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3. Honey Queen Program					Plant Industries
The Honey Commission and the Idaho Honey Producers Association would like to start a Honey Queen Program. This type of program is used in many states to promote the use and sale of honey. The Honey Queen is selected annually from a number of female contestants to serve a year as a spokesperson for the honey producers of that state. Typically she makes appearances at county fairs and makes TV and radio appearances to promote honey across the state. She may compete nationally to become the national honey Queen. Funding is from the dedicated Honey Advertising Fund. The revenues for this fund come from assessments placed on beekeepers based on the number of their hives. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	0.00	0	10,000	0	10,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	10,000	0	10,000
FY 2004 Total					
Agency Request	181.34	6,298,300	17,343,500	2,968,800	26,610,600
Governor's Recommendation	178.84	5,803,000	17,222,900	2,958,600	25,984,500
Agency Request					
Change from Original App	(3.22)	427,500	455,900	(999,600)	(116,200)
% Change from Original App	(1.7%)	7.3%	2.7%	(25.2%)	(0.4%)
Governor's Recommendation					
Change from Original App	(5.72)	(67,800)	335,300	(1,009,800)	(742,300)
% Change from Original App	(3.1%)	(1.2%)	2.0%	(25.4%)	(2.8%)

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Issues & Information

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Organizational Chart



Full-time Equivalents Per Program	FY 2003 Positions	Change Requested	FY 2004 Request
1. Administration	15.90	1.12	17.02
2. Animal Industries	42.35	(0.46)	41.89
3. Agricultural Resources	28.43	2.54	30.97
4. Plant Industries	36.21	2.44	38.65
5. Agricultural Inspections	48.53	(8.43)	40.10
6. Marketing & Develop	10.14	(0.43)	9.71
7. Animal Damage Control	0.00	0.00	0.00
8. Sheep Commission	3.00	0.00	3.00
Total	184.56	(3.22)	181.34

Does not include 600 to 700 seasonal employees, other group positions, or 6.65 Indemnity staff.

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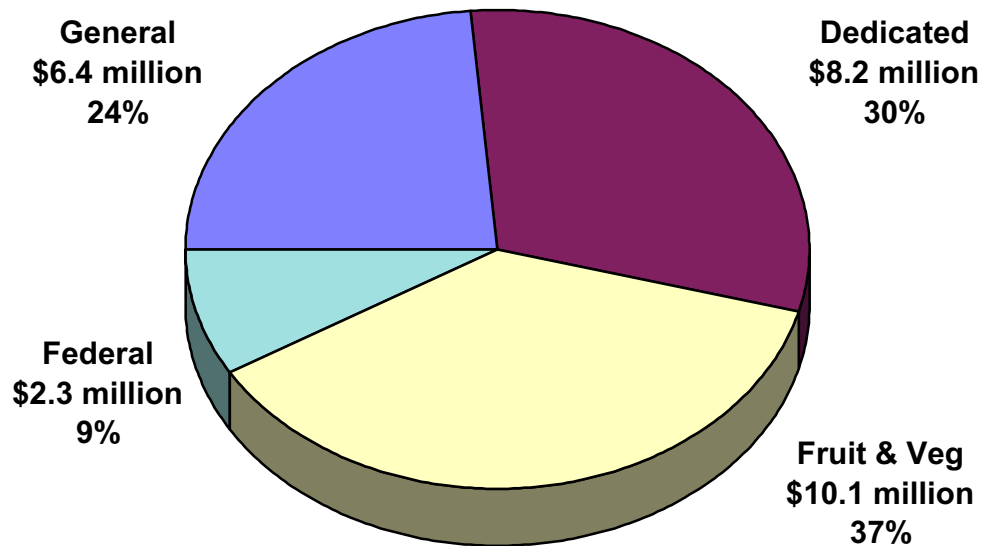
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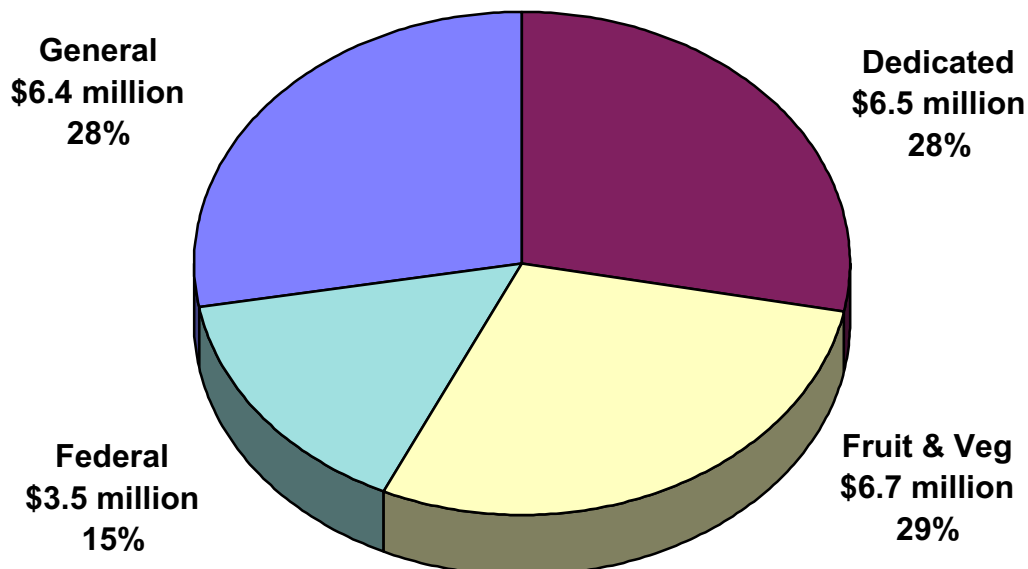
Strategic Planning Act Performance Measures

Selected Measures	FY 2001 Act	FY 2002 Act	FY 2003 Est	FY 2004 Est
Administration				
1. Increase by 25% efficiency within administration	5%	15%	20%	25%
Animal Industries				
1. Conduct surveillance for all program diseases	2,341,864	2,145,902	2,100,000	2,200,000
2. Investigate and test animals suspected of disease	1,497	272	1,400	1,500
3. Inspect all dairy farms and plants for compliance	4,244	3,834	3,800	3,700
4. Conduct grading of dairy & egg products	72,607,260	59,284,658	70,000,000	50,000,000
5. Test animals, animal tissue for regulatory diseases	330,893	277,008	340,000	340,000
6. Investigate cases of alleged animal abuse	98	159	125	140
7. Inspect beef cattle waste management systems	100	250	300	300
8. Conduct odor inspections of Agricultural operations	0	450	300	350
Agricultural Resources				
1. Issue pesticide applicator licenses	7,451	7,515	7,550	8,800
2. Pesticide inspections and investigations	170	365	250	250
3. Chemigation inspections	332	256	250	250
4. Ground water samples	2,939	4,066	6,000	6,000
5. Waste pesticides disposed (pounds)	94,824	93,580	90,000	85,000
6. Containers recycled	79,366	84,266	90,000	100,000
7. Develop & maintain Internet information database	50%	100%	100%	100%
Plant Industries				
1. Review/registration of feed labels and products	7,705	7,690	7,500	7,500
2. Collect commercial feed samples	1,064	786	1,160	1,160
3. Issue nurseryman/Florist licenses	1,442	1,648	1,400	1,400
4. Inspect registered apiaries	3	3	5	5
5. Field acres inspected for diseases	74,000	60,493	95,000	95,000
6. Collect seed samples to assure quality Idaho seed	141	130	150	150
7. Perform purity, germination testing certified seeds	20,171	16,194	18,000	18,000
8. Issue seed dealers licenses	576	576	580	580
Agricultural Inspections				
1. 100% target for licensing warehouses in Idaho	100%	100%	100%	100%
2. 100% target for licensing commodity dealers	100%	100%	100%	100%
3. Inspect and test all known consumer weighing and measuring devices	95%	95%	95%	95%
4. Test gasoline octane at pumps	30%	30%	30%	30%
5. License Weighmasters	100%	100%	100%	100%
6. Provide inspection service to applicants requesting such service	100%	100%	100%	100%
7. Develop electronic means to assist grading process	1	1	1	2
Marketing and Development				
1. Lead domestic & international trade missions	4	3	4	4
2. Participate in targeted domestic & internal trade shows	5	5	5	5
3. Disseminate market information and reports	109,684	115,713	110,000	110,000
4. Respond to customer requests for information	528	575	600	600
5. Host buyer delegations	12	16	15	15
6. Distribute trade leads to Idaho companies	370	345	375	375
7. Provide development loans to Idaho agriculture	\$70,000	\$0	\$45,000	\$55,000

FY 2002 Total Appropriation - \$27.0 million



FY 2002 Actual Expenditures - \$23.1 million



For FY 2002, the Department reverted (did not use) about \$5 million in dedicated spending authority and non-cogged \$1.2 million in federal. Dedicated funds other than Fresh Fruit and Vegetable include: Animal Damage Control, Admin & Accounting Services, Ag in the Classroom, Agricultural Inspection, Pest Eradication, Sheep Industry, Feed and Fertilizer, Pesticides, Livestock Disease Control, Dairy Inspection, Honey Advertising, Egg Inspection, Organic Food, Disease Indemnity, Seminars and Publications, and Agricultural Loans.